

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 VALLET 02073 200751Z

14

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 COME-00 DODE-00 EB-11 FMC-04

INR-10 NSAE-00 RSC-01 CG-00 COA-02 DLOS-06 PA-04

USIA-15 PRS-01 SPC-03 L-03 DOTE-00 SS-20 NSC-10 DRC-01

/117 W

----- 034637

R 181530Z OCT 73

FM AMEMBASSY VALLETTA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4868

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE VALLETTA 2073

E.O. 11652: ADS DECLAS 10/18/74

TAGS: ETRN, MT

SUBJ: POSSIBLE GOM TAKEOVER PORT SERVICES

1. REPRESENTATIVES TUG BOAT COMPANIES AND LIGHTERAGE CONTRACTORS REPORTEDLY INFORMED OCT. 17 GOM INTENDS TAKE CONTROL OPERATION PORT SERVICES AND FACILITIES. ACCORDING TO REPORT IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE DAILY TIMES OF MALTA, OFFICIAL FROM PM'S OFFICE TOLD REPRESENTATIVES MALTA TUG AND LIGHTER SERVICES LIMITED, MIDMED TOWAGE CO. LIMITED, AND MEDITERRANEAN SALVAGE AND TOWAGE COMPANY GOM HAS NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER IT INTENDS CONTROL SERVICES OR WHETHER IT PLANS PARTICIPATE IN COMMERCIAL OPERATING COMPANY WHICH WOULD TAKE OVER ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR PORT SERVICES AND FACILITIES. METHOD GOM PLANS ADOPT TO BE DISCUSSED AT LATER DATE.

2. IN OCT. 17 SESSION PARLIAMENT MIN JUSTICE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, A. BUTTIGIEG, MOVED FIRST READING BILL PROVIDING FOR COMPULSORY ACQUISITION VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT AND OTHER PROPERTY CONNECTED WITH PORT SERVICES AND FACILITIES. (BILL NOT YET PUBLISHED IN GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.)

3. COMMENT: WITHOUT TEXT PROPOSED LEGISLATION, IT IS DIFFICULT
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 VALLET 02073 200751Z

TO DETERMINE AT THIS TIME INTENTIONS GOM WITH RESPECT PORT

SERVICES AND FACILITIES. TAKE-OVER THREAT MAY SIMPLY BE
NEGOTIATING TACTIC DESIGNED WIN CONCESSIONS FROM TUG AND
LIGHTER OPERATORS.
GETZ

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 18 OCT 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973VALLET02073
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: VALLETTA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19731023/aaaaaqmb.tel
Line Count: 65
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 19 SEP 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <19-Sep-2001 by elyme>; APPROVED <26-Nov-2001 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: POSSIBLE GOM TAKEOVER PORT SERVICES
TAGS: ETRN, MT
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005